

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA SENATE 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION**

**Call to Order:** Chair Jim Shockley, on February 9, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 335 Capitol

#### **ROLL CALL**

##### **Members Present:**

Sen. Jim Shockley, Chairman (R)  
Sen. Ron Arthun, Vice Chairman (R)  
Sen. Joe Balyeat (R)  
Sen. Anders Blewett (D)  
Sen. Llew Jones (R)  
Sen. Carmine Mowbray (R)  
Sen. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

**Members Excused:** Sen. Larry Jent (D)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Nadine Spencer, Committee Secretary  
Rachel Weiss, Legislative Branch

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

##### **Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 45, 2/7/2011; HB 89, 2/7/2011; HB 91, 2/7/2011

Executive Action: HB 45, Be Tabled; HB 89, Be Concurred in as Amended

**HEARING ON HB 45**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:03:13 Rep. Pat Ingraham (R), HD 13, opened the hearing on HB 45, Amend laws relating to stale-dated state warrants.

00:03:15 Sen. Jones left the hearing.

**Proponents' Testimony:** None

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:** None

**Closing by Sponsor:** None

**HEARING ON HB 89**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:05:33 Rep. Pat Ingraham (R), HD 13, opened the hearing on HB 89, Eliminate local registration, disclosure filing for legis, statewide candidates.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:11:21 Jennifer Hensley, Commissioner of Political Practices

00:13:38 Linda McCulloch, Montana Secretary of State

**EXHIBIT(sts32a01)**

00:15:28 Linda Stoll, Montana Association of Clerks and Records

**Opponents' Testimony:**

00:16:05 Mike Fellows, Chairman of Montana Libertarian Party

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:17:07 Sen. Balyeat

00:17:47 Mike Fellows

00:18:28 Sen. Balyeat

00:19:00 Jennifer Hensley

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:20:07 Rep. Ingraham

**HEARING ON HB 91**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:21:45 Rep. Pat Ingraham (R), HD 13, opened the hearing on HB 91, Revise election laws.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:30:17 Linda McCulloch

[EXHIBIT](#)(sts32a02)

00:33:18 Linda Stoll

**Opponents' Testimony:**

00:33:42 Mike Fellows

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:39:55 Sen. Windy Boy  
00:41:27 Linda McCulloch  
00:41:54 Sen. Windy Boy  
00:42:42 Chairman Shockley  
00:42:47 Linda McCulloch  
00:43:28 Sen. Windy Boy  
00:44:30 Linda McCulloch  
00:45:33 Sen. Balyeat  
00:46:08 Mike Fellows  
00:46:53 Sen. Balyeat  
00:47:17 Chairman Shockley  
00:48:43 Linda McCulloch  
00:48:50 Sen. Windy Boy  
00:49:14 Linda McCulloch  
00:49:43 Sen. Balyeat  
00:50:24 Rep. Ingraham  
00:50:43 Sen. Balyeat  
00:51:05 Rep. Ingraham  
00:52:56 Sen. Balyeat  
00:53:46 Rep. Ingraham  
00:53:58 Chairman Shockley  
00:54:09 Rep. Ingraham  
00:54:47 Sen. Balyeat  
00:55:02 Sen. Windy Boy

00:55:44 Rep. Ingraham  
 00:57:22 Chairman Shockley  
 00:57:33 Sen. Mowbray  
 00:57:43 Rep. Ingraham  
 00:58:50 Chairman Shockley  
 00:58:57 Sen. Mowbray  
 00:59:06 Rep. Ingraham  
 00:59:20 Sen. Mowbray  
 00:59:25 Sen. Balyeat  
 00:59:42 Chairman Shockley

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:59:53 Rep. Ingraham

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 45**

01:05:25 **Motion:** Sen. Blewett moved that **HB 45 BE CONCURRED IN.**

01:05:30 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Blewett moved that **HB 45 BE TABLED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Jent and Sen. Jones voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 89**

01:06:21 **Motion:** Sen. Arthun moved that **HB 89 BE CONCURRED IN.**

01:06:31 **Motion:** Sen. Balyeat moved that **HB 89 BE AMENDED.**

**EXHIBIT**(sts32a03)

**Discussion:**

01:06:43 Rachel Weiss, LSD  
 01:07:39 Chairman Shockley  
 01:07:46 Sen. Windy Boy  
 01:08:14 Chairman Shockley  
 01:08:26 Rachel Weiss

01:08:52 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Jent and Sen. Jones voted by proxy.

01:09:21 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Balyeat moved that **HB 89 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Jent and Sen. Jones voted by proxy. Sen. Balyeat will carry the bill.

**Discussion:**

01:09:33 Sen. Balyeat  
 01:09:54 Chairman Shockley  
 01:10:12 Sen. Balyeat

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| 01:10:20 | Chairman Shockley |
| 01:10:55 | Sen. Blewett      |
| 01:10:57 | Chairman Shockley |
| 01:11:06 | Rachael Weiss     |
| 01:11:16 | Chairman Shockley |

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 4:15 P.M.

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Nadine Spencer, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([sts32aad.pdf](#))